been included in the 'Phnom Penh Roadmap' adopted upon the conclusion of the Ministerial meeting. India announced a contribution of US $ 100,000/- to kick off the MGC cooperation fund, which will be used for financing agreed projects.

(c) and (d) In the third MGC Ministerial Meeting, it was decided to conduct a feasibility study of a rail link between New Delhi and Hanoi for strengthening the physical connectivity for MGC countries. The MGC countries accepted the offer made by India to depute a technical team for conducting a feasibility study.

Business with China

1504. DR. VIJAY MALLYA:
SHRI KULDIP NAYYAR:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is bright scope for business with China as said by CII;

(b) whether his Ministry has assessed the scope for entering into trade and business relations with China;

(c) in view of the huge potential of the Indian Companies, whether any road map has been drawn up; and

(d) if so, the sectors identified for the purpose and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) to (d) There is scope for expansion of trade and economic cooperation between India and China. Sectors of export interest include ores, cotton yarn fabrics, plastics, organic chemicals, stones, precious stones, fish and seafood, fruits and vegetables, iron and steel, hides and skins, inorganic chemicals, etc. Besides, India and China have agreed to set up a Joint Study Group of experts to examine potential complementarities and draw up a programme for developing India-China trade and economic cooperation for the next five years.